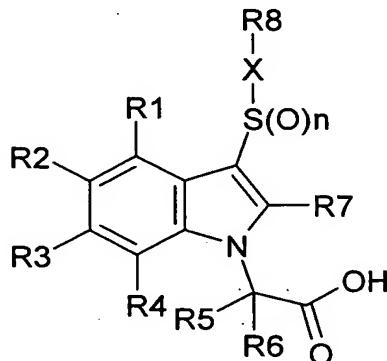


ABSTRACTCOMPOUNDS HAVING CRTH2 ANTAGONIST ACTIVITY

Compounds of general formula (I):

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wherein

10 R¹, R², R³ and R⁴ are independently hydrogen, halo, C₁-C₆ alkyl, -O(C₁-C₆ alkyl), -CON(R⁹)₂, -SOR⁹, -SO₂R⁹, -SO₂N(R⁹)₂, -N(R⁹)₂, -NR⁹COR⁹, -CO₂R⁹, -COR⁹, -SR⁹, -OH, -NO₂ or -CN;

each R⁹ is independently hydrogen or C₁-C₆ alkyl;

R⁵ and R⁶ are each independently hydrogen, or C₁-C₆ alkyl or together with the carbon atom to which they are attached form a C₃-C₇ cycloalkyl group;

15 R⁷ is hydrogen or C₁-C₆ alkyl

n is 1 or 2;

X is a bond or, when n is 2, X may also be a NR⁹ group;

wherein R⁹ is as defined above;

when X is a bond R⁸ is C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₂-C₆ alkenyl, C₂-C₆ alkynyl, biphenyl or a 9-14 membered bicyclic or tricyclic heteroaryl group;

when X is a NR⁹ group R⁸ may additionally be phenyl, naphthyl or a 5-7 membered heteroaromatic ring; and

25 the R⁸ group is optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from halo, C₁-C₆ alkyl, -O(C₁-C₆)alkyl, aryl, -O-aryl, heteroaryl, -O-heteroaryl,

-CON(R⁹)₂, -SOR⁹, -SO₂R⁹, SO₂N(R⁹)₂, -N(R⁹)₂, -NR⁹COR⁹, -CO₂R⁹, -COR⁹, -SR⁹,
-OH, -NO₂ or -CN;

wherein R⁹ is as defined above;

5 and their pharmaceutically acceptable salts, hydrates, solvates, complexes and prodrugs are useful in the treatment of allergic diseases such as asthma, allergic rhinitis and atopic dermatitis.